

## **Septic System Education and Outreach Questionnaire**

**Fall/Winter 2010**

### **Post-Survey**

1. Do you live in a watershed?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
  - c. I don't know
2. Is the water that enters a storm drain system treated at a wastewater plant or does it flow directly to creeks, rivers and the ocean?
  - a. It is treated
  - b. It is not treated
  - c. I don't know
3. How much do you think that septic systems can contribute to the pollution of local waterways?
  - a. Not at all
  - b. A little bit
  - c. Some of it
  - d. A great deal
  - e. All of the pollution is from septic systems
4. How often do you have plan on having your septic tank pumped?
  - a. Every year
  - b. Every other year
  - c. Every 3 to 5 years
  - d. Every 6 to 10 years
  - e. More than every 10 years
5. Which of the following practices are considered good care and maintenance of septic tanks and systems? (Choose all that apply)
  - a. Inspecting the septic tank frequently
  - b. Not putting harsh chemicals in the septic tank
  - c. Putting only biodegradable items in the septic tank
  - d. Having the septic tank pumped at the frequency appropriate to the number of people living at the residence.
  - e. Conserving water use in the residence
  - f. Keeping detailed records of the septic system's location, care and maintenance

*Please turn the page over to complete this survey!*

6. What are some of the signs of a septic system that has failed and is no longer functioning correctly?
  - a. Sewage backs up in the drains and toilets
  - b. Unpleasant smelling liquid on or around the septic tank or drainfield
  - c. Slow flushing or draining of the toilets, sinks, bathtubs or showers
  - d. Unpleasant odors from plumbing
  - e. Lush, green grass over the drainfield, even in the dry season
7. Where would you most like to receive information about septic system care and maintenance?
  - a. Magazine or newsletter
  - b. Friend or family member
  - c. Internet
  - d. Workshops/Meetings
  - e. Other \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you have any other suggestions for how we can improve our programs?

Please print, complete and submit a copy of both the pre- and post-surveys either by fax to (760) 723-5316, e-mail to [beth@missionrcd.org](mailto:beth@missionrcd.org) or in person at the Mission Resource Conservation Office at 990 E. Mission Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028. Upon receiving the completed pre- and post-surveys, you will receive instructions on how to receive the \$100 septic system rebate. Call Mission RCD at (760) 728-1332 and ask for Beth Principe if you have further questions.